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CAST:

THE DOCTOR
LEELA
DOCTOR FENDELMAN
ADAM COLBY
THEA RANSOME
MRS. TYLER
JACK TYLER
TED MOSS
MAXIMILLIAN STAEL
OCCULTISTS (N/S)

SETS:

Fendelman's Laboratory Colby's Laboratory Kitchen Large Cellar Cottage Tardis Corridor

FILM: (NIGHT)

Fetch Priory Wood Field

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TELECINE 1:

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Opening Titles

END TELECINE 1:

1. INT. COLBY'S LABORATORY. NIGHT.

(REPRISE.

THE POWER DIS-CHARGE CONTINUES, GETTING BRIGHTER AND MORE INTENSE

THE DOCTOR CANNOT BREAK FREE OF IT.

WITH AGONISING SLOWNESS HE INCHES TOWARDS THE EDGE OF THE STOOL.

IT IS OBVIOUS
THAT HIS
STRENGTH IS
FAILING AND HIS
LIFE IS EBBING
AWAY)

2. INT. PRIORY KITCHEN. NIGHT.

(LEELA ENTERS SOMETHING CATCHES HER ATTENTION.

SHE LISTENS
INTENTLY FOR
A MOMENT.
FROWNING)

3 INT. COLBY'S LABORATORY. NIGHT.

(THE DOCTOR INCHES CLOSER TO THE EDGE OF THE STOOL BUT HIS EFFORTS ARE VERY WEAK)

4. INT. PRIORY KITCHEN. NIGHT.

(LEELA MAKES UP HER MIND AND HURRIES ON THROUGH THE KITCHEN)

5. INT. COLBY'S LABORATORY. NIGHT.

(THE DOCTOR MAKES A LAST DESPAIRING EFFORT TO SLIDE OFF THE STOOL, AND FAILS.

EXHAUSTED AND
DYING HE LIES
HUNCHED AGAINST
THE EDGE OF THE
WORKBENCH UNABLE
TO WITHDRAW
FROM THE POWER
OF THE SKULL)

THE DOCTOR: Warn them ... got to warn them.

(LEELA HURRIES IN)

LEELA: Doctor!

(SHE RUNS TOWARDS HIM)

THE DOCTOR: (CROAKING) No!

(LEELA HESITATES)

The stool ... move stool. (Cont...)

(LEELA PLUNGES FORWARD INTO A SLIDING SOCCER TACKLE KICKING THE STOOL AWAY.

THE DOCTOP FALLS
BACKWARDS BREAKING
CONTACT WITH THE
SKULL.

THE POWER DIS-CHARGE IMMEDIATELY STOPS.

THE DOCTOR LANDS ON TOP OF LEELA)

THE DOCTOR: (cont) Are you all right?

LEELA: (WINDED) You're heavy.

THE DOCTOR: (GETTING UP) Dead weight. Very nearly. How did you find me?

LEELA: I just felt something was wrong and followed the feeling.

THE DOCTOR: (GRINS) Yes?

LEELA: I did!

THE DOCTOR: Of course you did.

LEELA: What happened, anyway?

THE DOCTOR: I was careless. (NODS AT THE SKULL) It's already developed a protective mechanism.

LEELA: You talk as though it were alive.

THE DOCTOR: It is in a way. It's a sort of mutation generator. It can't rebuild itself so it's doing the next best thing - making a carbon copy. It's using suitable genetic material to create something in its own image.

LEELA: But what is it?

THE DOCTOR: I think it's a fendahl.

The fendahl because there is only one, can be only one. (BECOMING SOMBRE AND WITHDRAWN) It means death to everything else. It exists and lives and grows by death.

LEELA: Most creatures do. Doctor? You taught me that.

THE DOCTOR: Mm? No that's the food chain. It's not like that. The Fendahl absorbs the life force, the soul, the full spectrum of energy wavelengths which are particular to living creatures. It eats life itself.

LEELA: That's what Mrs. Tyler saw!

THE DOCTOR: (SHARPLY) What?

LEELA: Huge and dark, she said, and hungry for her soul.

THE DOCTOR: And she's still alive?

LEELA: Only just.

THE DOCTOR: Take me to her.

LEELA: What about the skull?

THE DOCTOR: Virtually indestructible now. Come on. If it's not already too late it soon will be.

LEELA: And what about the sonic time scan?

(THE DOCTOR PAUSES FOR A MOMENT MUMBLING TO HIMSELF)

THE DOCTOR: ...zero, zero three four to the power ... A hundred hours. It can be used for a total of a hundred hours before implosion is imminent. We'll have to risk it. Unless we can stop the Fendahl from developing it won't just destroy this planet it'll destroy all life in the universe. It will go on devouring everything until it's alone. Nothing left. No life left.

LEELA: The old woman said that, too.

THE DOCTOR: Shall we go then?

(THE DOCTOR LEAVES)

LEELA: Watch out for guards.

(SHE HURRIES OUT AFTER HIM)

6. INT. FENDELMAN'S LABORATORY. NIGHT.

(FENDELMAN SWITCHES ON AN ELECTRONIC DIGITAL COUNTER AND CHECKS IT.

COLBY LOOKS)

COLBY: What's that?

FENDELMAN: Running log. Some of the scanner components have a limited life.

COLBY: Ninety eight hours fifty-six minutes forty three point seven seconds. You've been busy.

FENDELMAN: It has been a joy.

COLBY: A labour of love even.

(COLBY CROSSES TO THE WALL VIEWER, SWITCHES IT ON AND LOOKS AGAIN AT THE X-RAY PLATES)

If man really is descended from aliens like this why haven't we found evidence of it before?

FENDELMAN: We were not looking.

COLBY: Oh, come on!

FENDELMAN: We were not looking for this sort of evidence. Without the scanner we would not have found this one. In all research, Adam, there must be a first discovery. What is it the Chinese say, a journey of a thousand miles begins with but a single step?

COLBY: This isn't a step, it's a jump. And to a rather large conclusion.

(FENDELMAN COMPLETES HIS CHECKS AND LOOKS UP)

FENDELMAN: Good. Now you shall see. I have already reprogrammed the computer. This time it should give a visual interpretation of what the scanner picks up.

(HE POINTS TO THE VIEW SCREEN SET IN THE SCANNER CONSOLE)

On this screen you will see the true genesis of homo sapiens.

(FENDLEMAN BEGINS THE SCANNER RUN-UP SEQUENCE.

THE DIGITAL
COUNTER OF THE
RUNNING-LOG BEGINS
TO TICK UP THE
SECONDS)

TELECINE 2:

Ext. Fetch Priory.

THE DOCTOR and LEELA slip quietly into the wood.

END TELECINE 2:

7. INT. LARGE CELLAR. NIGHT.

(ON THE FLOOR A LARGE PENTAGRAM HAS BEEN PAINTED.

BY THE LIGHT OF TWO HURRICANE LAMPS THEA RANSOME CAN BE SEEN LYING WITHIN THE PENTAGRAM. HER HANDS AND FEET ARE BOUND.

SHE STIRS.

MAXIMILLIAN STAEL COMES FORWARD OUT OF THE SHADOWS.

HE IS HOLDING A HYPODERMIC SYRINGE AND A SWAB)

STAEL: I am glad you are awake, Thea. I want you to understand why I have brought you here.

(HE KNEELS DOWN
BESIDE HER,
ROLLS UP HER
SLEEVE AND CAREFULLY SWABS A
PATCH OF SKIN
ON THE INSIDE
OF HER ARM)

You are the channel through which the ancient power of this place is focused.

THEA: (HAZY) Max? What ... what are you doing?

STAEL: The scanner awoke it. You know about the scanner, of course.

(VERY CAREFULLY
AND PROFESSIONALLY
HE EMPTIES THE
SYRINGE INTO HER
ARM, PUTS THE
SWAB ON THE SPOT
AND BENDS HER
ARM TO HOLD IT IN
PLACE.

FROM HIS POCKET
HE TAKES THE
PIECE OF PERSPEX
WITH WHICH THEA
FORCED THE DOOR
OF FENDELMAN'S
LABORATORY AND
SHOWS IT TO HER)

I have been watching you for some time, you see. You are the vessel through which I shall conjure and control the supreme power of the ancients.

THEA: (DRIFTING) Not that old thing again - world domination?

STAEL: You will sleep now while we prepare.

THEA: You're pathetic, Max.

STAEL: I shall be a god.

8. INT. COTTAGE NIGHT.

(MRS. TYLER IS NOW LYING ON THE SETTEE AND APPEARS TO BE ASLEEP.

JACK HAS COVERED HER WITH THE BLANKET. HE IS HOVERING ABOUT HELPLESSLY.

LEELA COMES IN CLOSELY FOLLOWED BY THE DOCTOR)

JACK: Is this 'im? Is this your man? (TO THE DOCTOR) Do you know what's goin' on? My gran's in a 'ell of a state.

(THE DOCTOR BRUSHES PAST HIM AND GOES DIRECTLY TO WHERE MRS. TYLER IS LYING)

THE DOCTOR: Mrs. Tyler? Mrs. Tyler, wake up!

(HE BEGINS TO SHAKE HER)

Come on, Mrs. Tyler. Wake up.

JACK: Leave her alone. What do you think you're doing?

THE DOCTOR: Do you know what's wrong with her?

JACK: Well, no, but -

THE DOCTOR: I do. Make some tea.

JACK: Tea?

THE DOCTOR: Tea. She does drink tea?

JACK: Yes.

THE DOCTOR: Then make some. Hurry, man!

(JACK GOES TO THE KITCHEN)

Use the good china, four cups, lay it out on a tray. Oh, and cake too.

JACK: (V.O.) Anything else?

THE DOCTOR: No. (TO LEELA) Help me get her on her feet.

(THE DOCTOR ON ONE SIDE AND LEELA ON THE OTHER THEY LIFT MRS. TYLER TO HER FEET.

SHE SHOWS NO SIGNS OF LIFE)

LEELA: Now what?

THE DOCTOR: Walk her up and down. Come on, Mrs. Tyler, is this the way to behave when you've got visitors?

9. INT. FENDELMANOS LABORATORY. NIGHT.

(FENDELMAN IS OPERATING THE SCANNER.

COLBY IS WATCHING HIM.

STAEL ENTERS. HE IS AGITATED)

STAEL: Turn it off!

FENDELMAN: (NOT LOOKING UP) Where have you been, Stael? I needed you here.

(STAEL TAKES OUT A PISTOL AND POINTS IT AT FENDELMAN)

STAEL: Turn off the scanner.

(SOMETHING IN HIS TONE OF VOICE MAKES COLBY LOOK UP)

COLBY: I think you have an industrial relations problem, Doctor Fendelman.

FENDELMAN: What are you talking -

(SEES THE GUN FOR THE FIRST TIME)

Have you lost your mind?!

STAEL: The scanner.

FENDELMAN: No.

(STAEL COCKS THE PISTOL)

COLBY: Relax, Max. I'll do it.

(HE SWITCHES OFF THE SCANNER. THE DIGITAL COUNTER ON THE RUNNING LOG SHOWS NINETY-NINE HOURS, FIFTEEN MINUTES, THIRTY POINT FIVE SECONDS)

FENDELMAN: Why, Stael?

STAEL: I'm not ready. My followers are not here yet.

COLBY: Followers? Very impressive.

STAEL: Shut up, Colby, or I will kill you now. Outside both of you.

FENDELMAN: Is this some sort of joke, Max?

(COLBY URGES FENDELMAN GENTLY TOWARDS THE DOOR)

COLBY: As a humourist he ranks with the all time greats - Jack the Ripper, Genghis Khan ...

STAEL: I shall not warn you again, Colby.

COLBY: You're going to kill us anyway, aren't you?

STAEL: That depends on whether I enjoy having you worship me.

(COLBY LOOKS AT STAEL PREPARED TO LAUGH BUT THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT STAEL IS SERIOUS.

COLBY IS FRIGHTENED INTO SILENCE)

10. INT. COTTAGE LIVING-ROOM. NIGHT.

(JACK BRINGS IN A TRAY OF TEA.

MRS. TYLER IS REVIVING SLIGHTLY.

THE DOCTOR AND LEELA SIT HER DOWN IN A CHAIR)

THE DOCTOR: Mrs. Tyler.

(SHE OPENS HER EYES)

It was kind of you to invite us to tea. But you're obviously not feeling up to it. We'll come back another time.

(HE WALKS SLOWLY TOWARDS THE DOOR BECKONING LEELA TO FOLLOW.

MRS. TYLER STRUGGLES TO SPEAK)

MRS. TYLER: No. Don't go.

(HER SPEECH GRADUALLY BECOMES MORE FLUENT)

I wouldn't hear of it. You sit yourselves down and I'll have the tea ready in a jiffy.

JACK: It's here, gran.

(MRS. TYLER LOOKING AT THE TRAY)

MRS. TYLER: Well that 'ent the good china John. And there's fresh cake in the other tin. (LOOKS AT THE DOCTOR) I am sorry about - When did I ask you to tea? I 'ent never seen you before in my life.

THE DOCTOR: You were slipping away.

MRS. TYLER: Slipping away?

THE DOCTOR: Psychic shock. I needed something normal to bring you to to reality. How long have you lived here, Mrs. Tyler?

MRS. TYLER: Why should I tell you anythin'?

JACK: He's trying to help, gran.

MRS. TYLER: You mind your place, John.

JACK: Oh no. We 'ent got time for those games. Ted Moss and his cronies is up to suffen. Suffen bad and you're involved. Now you tell 'im what he want to know.

MRS. TYLER: I 'ent involved in nothin' I was consulted. Lots of people consult me. You know I got the second sight.

THE DOCTOR: You were born in this cottage then.

MRS. TYLER: How do you know that?

THE DOCTOR: Telepathy and precognition are normal in anyone whose infancy was spent near a time fissure like the one in the wood.

JACK: Time fissure?

THE DOCTOR: A weakness, in the fabric of time and space. Every haunted place has one, that's why they're haunted. Time distortion. This must be a large one. It's lasted long enough to affect the place names.

LEELA: Fetch?

THE DOCTOR: A sort of ghost.

MRS. TYLER: How do you know so much?

THE DOCTOR: I read a lot. What did you see in the wood?

MRS. TYLER: I didn't see nothin'. Not with my eyes.

THE DOCTOR: With your mind? Did it have a human face?

MRS. TYLER: (RELUCTANTLY) No.

THE DOCTOR: Was there a human with it? (NO ANSWER) Mrs. Tyler, I must know. Did you see a human figure?

MRS. TYLER: No, I didn't!

THE DOCTOR: There will be one.
But when? I haven't got enough facts.
It has to have come from the fifth
planet.

LEELA: From Jupiter?

THE DOCTOR: That's the fifth planet naw but there was a planet between Mars and Jupiter once. The asteroids are all that's left of it. Even the name's been lost. (TO JACK) Will you watch the Priory for me? I need to know who comes and goes. I'll be back by tomorrow sundown. (TO LEELA) Come on, we've a long way to go.

(HE HEADS FOR THE

LEELA FOLLOWS)

MRS. TYLER: Girl!

(LEELA TURNS BACK)

LEELA: Old woman?

(MRS. TYLER HOLDS OUT A VERY SMALL BAG ON A DRAW-STRING)

MRS. TYLER: Take this. A charm to protect you. I cast it for Ted Moss but it's too late for 'im.

(LEELA TAKES THE CHARM, NODS AND HURRIES TO THE DOOR)

I seen the figure he asked about. In a dream. I'were a woman.

11. INT. LARGE CELLAR. NIGHT.

(THEA RANSOME, DRUGGED AND UNCONSCIOUS STILL LIES IN THE PENTAGRAM.

COLBY AND FENDELMAN ARE BOTH SECURELY TRUSSED UP.

STAEL IS CHECKING THE BONDS)

FENDELMAN: How long have you been planning this ... whatever it is you're planning?

STAEL: Ever since Mrs. Tyler's visions began to come true.

FENDELMAN: Visions? Oh come now, Max. You have a first class brain. Use it.

COLBY: First class brain? He's an occult freak. One of those feeble inadequates who thinks he communes with the devil. Is that it, Max? Are you going to summon up the devil?

STAFL: Unlike you I am not a crude lout, Colby. The grimories do not impress me. Mrs. Tyler's paranormal fight and the race memories she draws on these were the signposts on the road to power -

COLBY: Spare us the after dinner speech!

STAEL: I look forward to your terror, Colby

(HE WALKS AWAY)

FENDELMAN: I trusted him.

COLBY: I didn't and I'm going to wind up just as dead as you. If that's any consolation.

(HE STRUGGLES WITH HIS BONDS)

FENDELMAN: Why should he be doing this?

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COLBY: Fendelman, it doesn't matter why! What matters is he's doing it. To us, unless we can get free before his friends arrive! (BEAT) What about the security guards?

FENDLEMAN: In my absence they are to take their instructions from him.

COLBY: Terrific.

TELECINE 3:

Ext. Field. Day.

The DOCTOR and LEELA reach the Tardis and hurry inside. Within seconds it dematerialises.

END TELECINE 3.

12. INT. TARDIS.

(THE DOCTOR IS AT THE CONTROLS)

THE DOCTOR: The fifth planet is a hundred and seven million miles out and then twelve million years back. We've no time to waste.

LEELA: But we can come back any time we like. We could get back before we left if we wanted to. That is what you told me isn't it? The Tardis can go anywhere — anytime?

THE DOCTOR: Normally, yes. But there is an effect called Sequential Inertia which can prevent it.

LEELA: What's that?

THE DOCTOR: Fendelman's sonic time scanner has set up a field resistance to time travel within a sixty mile radius of Fetch Wood. Sequential inertia simply means we physically can't go back any earlier than we first arrived. It also means the further we travel in any dimension the later it will be when we do get back.

LEELA: Why not land outside the sixty mile radius?

THE DOCTOR: (SHAKES HEAD) That would mean altering the automatic return co-ordinates. Chances are we'd never find the right time and place again.

LEELA: So that's why you said we'd be away until sundown.

THE DOCTOR: Right. I'm pretty sure nothing will happen before then, anyway.

TELECINE 4:

Ext. Fetch Priory. Day.

From cover at the edge of the wood JACK TYLER is watching the house. A van draws up. TED MOSS and THREE OTHER MEN get out and go into the house.

END TELECINE 4.



(LEELA IS DOZING.
THE DOCTOR ENTERS FROM
ANOTHER PART OF THE
TARDIS.

LEELA WAKES SUDDENLY AND INSTINCTIVELY DRAWS HER KNIFE)

THE DOCTOR: It's a good thing your people never developed guns. The tribe would have woken with a start one morning and wiped itself out.

LEELA: A bad dream... The one where something's chasing you and you can't run away.

THE DOCTOR: That's a race memory of the Fendahl, actually. I've been checking the old data banks. There's nothing on record at all about the fifth planet.

LELLA: Does it matter?

THE DOCTOR: Yes. The time Lords are a very meticulous people. You have to be when you live as long as we do. All information is recorded.

LEELA: P'raps there wasn't any.

THE DOCTOR: What?

LEELA: Information.

(THE DOCTOR STARES AT HER BLANKLY FOR A MOMENT THEN COMES TO WITH A START. HE RUSHES TO THE CONTROL CONSOLE. THE TARDIS RESPONDS)

THE DOCTOR: Either we've overshot the mark or ...

(HE ACTIVATES THE VIEW-SCREEN. IT SHOWS A SLOWLY ROLLING WEAVING PATTERN OF COLOUR AND LIGHT)

Of course! That's why there's no record of the planet.

LEELA: (STARING AT THE SCREEN) Why?

THE DOCTOR: If you destroyed a planet by a process of controlled molecular disruption. And if you put a time loop around it so that no one could ever see what was there before you destroyed it. You'd get something like that. To do it though you'd have to be three things, a criminal, a fool and a Time Lord. (HE TURNS BACK TO THE CONSOLE) We'd better go back.

(HE TURNS OFF THE VIEW-SCREEN AND RESTARTS THE TARDIS)

Let's hope we're not too far round that loop.

14. INT. COTTAGE. NIGHT.

(MRS. TYLER IS FULLY RECOVERED.

JACK ENTERS)

JACK: Still no sign of them. Sundown 'e said.

MRS TYLER: Didn't reckon he'd be reliable. Never trust a man who wears a hat.

JACK: Grandad always wore one.

MRS TYLER: And a wicked old devil 'e was, too. (SHE HOLDS OUT A SMALL BAG) Put this in your pocket.

JACK: More charms. I 'ent one of your punters, gran.

MRS TYLER: Tonight is Lamas eve.

JACK: I don't care if it's Mickey Mouse's birthday. I don't believe in all that.

MRS TYLER: Most round here do.
And when most believe that makes it true.

JACK: They used to think the world was flat, but it were still round.

MRS TYLER: But they behaved as though it were flat. (HOLDS OUT THE BAG) For me.

JACK: (TAKING IT) If it makes you happy.

MRS TYLER: Right, now get your gun and let's go.

JACK: Go?

MRS TYLER: To the Priory. It's time we stopped them meddling in things they don't understand.

(ROBED AND HOODED FIGURES ARE GATHERED.

THEA RANSOME, COLBY AND FENDELMAN REMAIN IN THEIR ORIGINAL POSITIONS.

AROUND THE PENTAGRAM AND FOLLOWING IT'S SHAPE PRECISELY A THIN STRIP OF METAL FOIL HAD BEEN LAID.

BEYOND THE PENTAGRAM AN ALTAR HAS BEEN ERECTED. BESIDE IT STANDS A REMOTE CONTROL CONSOLE WHICH IS LINKED TO THE SCANNER IN FENDELMAN'S LABORATORY BY HEAVY DUTY CABLES LYING ALONG THE FLOOR.

STAEL IS CHECKING THIS CONSOLE.

THERE IS A STIR AMONG
THE GATHERING AS TED
MOSS ENTERS CARRYING AME
SKULL. HE IS HOLDING IT
BY THE SMALL PEDESTAL ON
WHICH IT IS MOUNTED AND
BEING CAREFUL NOT TO TOUCH
THE SKULL ITSELF. HE
IS ALSO WEARING A PAIR
OF HEAVY, INSULATED
GAUNTLETS.

CAREFULLY AND REVERENTLY
HE PLACES THE SKULL
ON THE ALTAR. HE BOWS
TO IT. THE WATCHERS
DO THE SAME.

STAEL TURNS, BOWS TO THE SKULL AND THEN BEGINS TO PREPARE A SHORT COIL OF HEAVY-DUTY CABLE WHICH IS CONNECTED TO THE CONSOLE)

COLBY: (WHISPERING) What is that?

FENDELMAN: A remote control unit connected to the scanner.

COLBY: He's linking up that old bone with your scanner? Why?

FENDELMAN: Who knows...

16. INT. TARDIS.

(THE DOCTOR IS DEEP IN THOUGHT)

LEELA: We're going to be late, aren't we?

THE DOCTOR: The power source still puzzles me a bit. Inducted biological transmutation -

LEELA: You're doing it again.

THE DOCTOR: Changing a living creature into a completely different living creature - takes a lot of power. It isn't available in the priory. Not even the boosted supply to the time scanner would be enough to allow the skull to do - (BEAT) From the scanner not to the scanner! It's taking the free energy released when the scanner beam damages that time fissure. I should have realised. That mistake could cost us the game.

LEELA: Even you can't think of everything. You were taken by surprise.

THE DOCTOR: By a mythical horror from my childhood. I was frightened. And you can think or you can run, but you can't do both.

TELECINE 5:

Ext. Field. Night.

The Tardis materialises in the same position as before.

END TELECINE 5.

NO SCENE 17.

18. INT. LARGE CELLAR. NIGHT.

(FROM THE BACK OF THE SKULL A THICK COIL OF CABLE SNAKES ACROSS THE ALTAR TO THE REMOTE CONTROL CONSOLE.

STAEL GLANCES ROUND AND, SATISFIED THAT EVERYTHING IS READY, FACES THE GATHERING)

STAEL: The waiting is over. Prepare yourselves.

(TED MOSS AND THREE OTHERS MOVE SLOWLY FORWARD AND TAKE UP POSITIONS ON FOUR POINTS OF THE PENTAGRAM.

THE REST OF THE WATCHERS FORM A SEMI-CIRCLE FACING THE ALTAR. THE FIFTH POINT OF THE PENTAGRAM WHICH IS NEAREST THE ALTAR REMAINS EMPTY.

STLAL MOVES TO THE REMOTE CONTROL CONSOLE)

FENDELMAN: (SHOUTS) Don't do it, Stael:

COLBY: (HISSING) Shut up you fool! Let him electrocute himself.

FENDELMAN: (SHOUTS) You will kill us all! Listen to me all of you. He is a madman.

TELECINE 6:

Ext. Wood. Night.

The DOCTOR and LEELA are running with desperate urgency.

END TELECINE 6.

(FENDELMAN IS STILL SHOUTING AT THE ASSEMBLY.

STAEL IS WALKING TOWARDS HIM)

FENDELMAN: You must stop him! You must stop him now before he plunges everything into chaos and death!

COLBY: (URGENTLY) He'll plunge you into chaos and death if you don't shut up.

FENDELMAN: You don't understand.

I know what will happen. My name is Fendelman.

(STAEL STANDS OVER HIM)

Max - the Doctor asked if my name was real. Fendelman - man of the Fendahl. Don't you see? file for their rement have I have the foregraph of their plant have the foregraph of my father limb that I have been used. Manteind has been used!

20. INT. FENDELMAN'S LABORATORY. NIGHT.

(JACK TYLER IS STANDING STARING AROUND.

MRS. TYLER ENTERS GINGERLY. SHE PEERS FURTIVELY AT THE EQUIPMENT)

MRS TYLER: I don't hold with all this. It's against nature.

JACK: They 'ent in here either.

MRS TYLER: You sure they didn't leave the house?

JACK: 'Course I'm sure.

(THERE IS A DISTANT, VERY MUFFLED SOUND OF A SHOT)

Sounded like a shot. Is there a cellar?

MRS TYLER: There's cellars all over but they 'ent been used for years.

JACK: They're bein' used now.

MRS TYLER: Come on, lad.

(SHE HURRIES TOWARDS
THE DOOR BUT BEFORE
SHE REACHES IT SHE
STUMBLES ON THE THICK
POWER CABLE LEADING
FROM THE SCANNER OUT
THROUGH THE DOOR. SHE
DOESN'T FALL BUT HAS
CLEARLY TURNED HER ANKLE.
SHE HOBBLES. JACK
HURRIES TO HELP HER)

(STAEL IS HOLDING A GUN AND STARING AT FENDELMAN'S CORPSE)

COLBY: (SHOCKED) You murdering lunatic.

(STAEL STARES AT HIM FOR A MOMENT THEN TURNS AND WALKS BACK TO THE ALTAR. CAREFULLY HE PLACES THE GUN IN FRONT OF THE SKULL, THEN HE GOES TO THE CONSOLE)

TELECINE 7:

Ext. Fetch Priory. Night.

The DOCTOR and LEELA race out of the wood and dash across the open ground towards the priory.

LEELA has fallen back a little and pauses to catch her breath before running after him.

END TELECINE 7.

STAEL: The way to power is open!

(HE PRESSES THE SWITCHES ON THE CONSOLE AND THEN GOES TO TAKE HIS PLACE ON THE FIFTH POINT OF THE PENTAGRAM)

23. INT. FENDELMAN'S LABORATORY. NIGHT.

(MRS TYLER HAS HER ARM ROUND JACK'S SHOULDERS AND IS TRYING TO PUT HER WEIGHT ON HER INJURED ANKLE)

MRS TYLER: Damn, boy, that hurts.

(THE SCANNER, TRIGGERED BY STAEL'S REMOTE CONTROL UNIT HUMS INTO LIFE. THE SOUND OF THE POWER QUICKLY RISES.

AS JACK HELPS MRS TYLER TOWARDS THE DOOR, THE DIGITAL COUNTER ON THE RUNNING-LOG BEGINS TO TICK UP THE SECONDS)

(THE LIGHTS DIM, THE SKULL BEGINS TO GLOW AND THEA RANSOME BEGINS TO STIR)

25. INT. CORRIDOR. NIGHT.

(MRS TYLER IS LEANING AGAINST THE WALL PROPPED UP PARTIALLY BY JACK. SHE IS BECOMING AGITATED AND A BIT INCOHERENT)

MRS TYLER: I can't, John. Suffen comin', John. Can't you hear it, John? Suffen comin'!

(THE LIGHTS BEGIN TO DIM)

(THEA RAMSOME'S BONDS FALL AWAY FROM HER AND SHE RISES TO HER FEET.

THE SKULL IS GLOWING MORE AND MORE INTENSELY. A GLOWLNG HALO OF POWER BEGINS TO SURROUND THEA)

27. INT. CORRIDOR. NIGHT.

(THE CORRIDOR IS IN VIRTUAL DARKNESS.

JACK PUTS HIS GUN AGAINST THE WALL AND STRIKES A MATCH)

MRS TYLER: No light for this darkness.

(THE DOCTOR AND LEELA ARRIVE AT A FLAT RUN)

THE DOCTOR: Are you all right?

JACK: Damn, I'm glad to see you. Not a moment too soon.

MRS TYLER: (WHISPERING CROAK) No, a moment too late. Listen.

(A DISTANT DRAGGING SOUND IS HEARD COMING CLOSER.

THEY STARE INTO THE DARKNESS AT THE END OF THE CORRIDOR)

LEELA: Doctor, that dream. I can't

JACK: My legs! I can't move my legs.

MRS TYLER: Look. Look.

(OUT OF THE DARKNESS A HUGH BLACK, LEECH-LIKE SHAPE LOOMS. IT HUMPS IT'S BACK AND DRAGS ITSELF FORWARD. IT REARS UP IN FRONT OF THEM.

IT IS EYELESS AND
INSTEAD OF A MOUTH IT HAS
A CIRCULAR, LIPLESS HOLE
FULL OF WAVING THREADLIKE TENDRILS.

THE DOCTOR AND THE OTHERS STAND HELPLESS AS IT TOWERS ABOVE THEM)

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